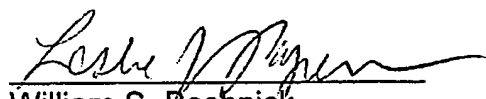


REMARKS

By the above amendment, the claims and Abstract have been amended to delete reference characters and claims 6, 8, and 10 have been amended to delete multiple claim dependency. The Abstract has also been amended to delete "means plus function" and "said" language. Therefore, no estoppel should be deemed to be associated with this amendment.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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